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Police release details from doorbell video in Woodbine shooting

Howard County police are learning more about the death of a man in Woodbine who was shot and killed by a resident whose house he was trying to enter. Detectives have reviewed the resident's doorbell camera video and are releasing updated information about the circumstances of the event.

In the video, which cannot be publicly released at this time, Gerardo Espinoza is seen banging on the front door of Charles Dorsey's home in the 14000 block of Carriage Mill Road around 1 a.m., July 21. The audio reveals that Espinoza is shouting profanity and threats, including "I'm going to f--- you up," and "You want a piece of this s---." Dorsey is heard yelling back from inside the house for the man to leave, while his wife is calling 911.

The video then shows Espinoza jostling the door handle in an attempt to get into the house. After a moment, the door releases and Espinoza is shot. Dorsey is heard on the video shouting, "He pushed the door open, he pushed the door open."

Detectives have learned that Espinoza had been staying at a friend's house in the neighborhood and may have been drinking before the incident. They are investigating the possibility that Espinoza may have mistakenly gone to the wrong house.

Police are consulting with the state's attorney's office about the details of the case. No charges have been filed at this time. The investigation is ongoing.

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